

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective December 29, 1999

Application or Docket Number

09/610142

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	
BASIC FEE			
TOTAL CLAIMS	8 minus 20 =		/
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 minus 3 =		/
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT			

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

AMENDMENT A	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	7 Minus	20	= /
Independent	1 Minus	3	= /
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

AMENDMENT B	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	8 Minus	20	= 0
Independent	1 Minus	3	= 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

AMENDMENT C	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	Minus		=
Independent	Minus		=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
 ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
 *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
 The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
	345.00	OR		690.00
X\$ 9=	/	OR	X\$18=	
X39=	/	OR	X78=	
+130=	130	OR	+260=	
TOTAL	1175	OR	TOTAL	

SMALL ENTITY OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	/	OR	X\$18=	/
X39=	/	OR	X78=	/
+130=	/	OR	+260=	/
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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X39=	/	OR	X78=	/
+130=	/	OR	+260=	/
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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X39=	/	OR	X78=	/
+130=	/	OR	+260=	/
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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Applicant : Masahiro Ito
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PRELIMINARY RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2004, Applicant seeks clarification of certain inconsistencies in the Office Action which make it impossible for the Applicant to formulate a full and proper response. Specifically, in section 5 of the Office Action (Note: the sections are mis-numbered in the Office Action; the section in question here is the second section 5, which should actually have been numbered as section 6), claims 6, 7 and 8 were rejected "...under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as anticipated by Walker et al "Walker" (U.S. 6,594,638)." The use of the term "anticipated" in combination with the reference to Section 103 renders the rejection ambiguous; it is not

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